Material List:

Elmer’s Glue

Acrylic black paint

Something to stir the glue with (e.g., skewer, small stick, end of paintbrush handle)

Blank white paper (any will do but mixed media white paper is preferred)

Watercolors, colored pencils, or crayons

Directions:

1. Mix the glue and black acrylic paint. Make sure your glue bottle is not full (about ¾ full is ideal). Squeeze a dollop (a couple of spoonfuls worth) of the acrylic black paint into the glue bottle. Now shake! And shake some more. Yup, keep shaking. Once the glue and paint have mixed a fair amount take the lid off and give the glue a final mix with your stirring device.

2. Create your black glue universe. Make a few lines or shapes with the glue on a scratch piece of paper so you get used to how it flows. You can trace objects that you’ve drawn, trace a template that you’ve downloaded, or you can freehand your space scene. Your glue lines won’t be perfect – even if you trace – and that’s ok, this just adds to the uniqueness of your black glue universe.

3. Let your black glue universe dry. This will take a couple of hours. You can speed this up with a hair dryer.

4. Paint or color your black glue universe. Once your glue is completely dry, it’s time to add some color! You can use watercolors, colored pencils, or crayons to finish your masterpiece.